

FIG. 1---Prior Art

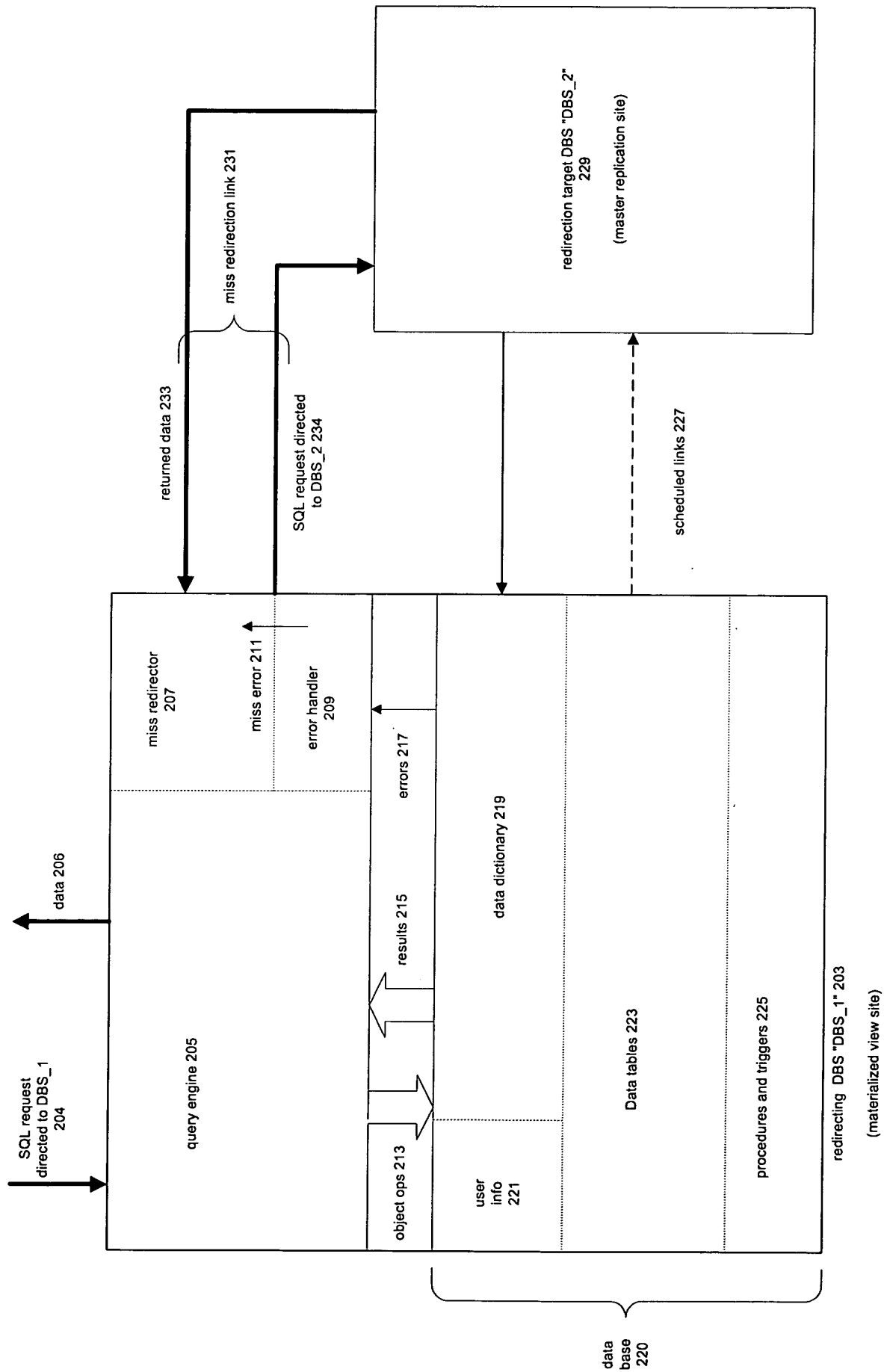
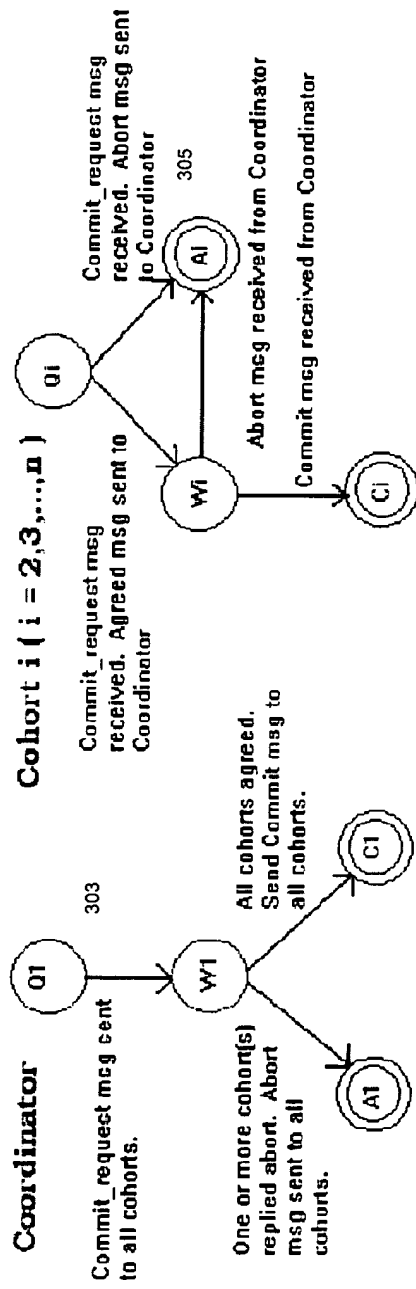


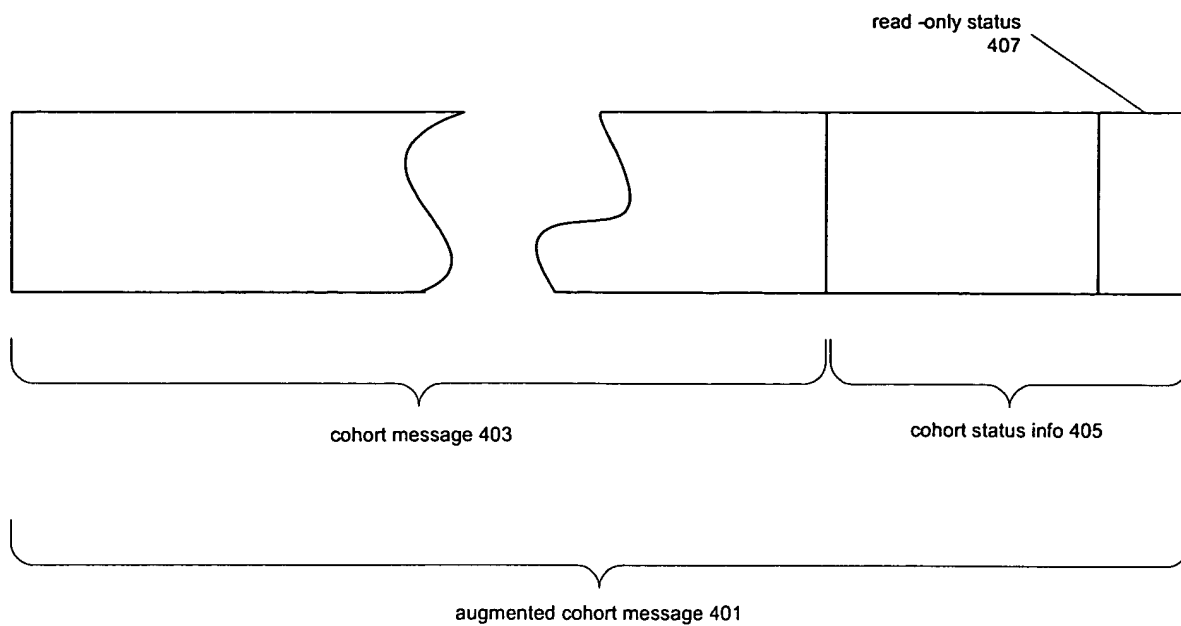
FIG. 2



Legend

- A? - accept state
- C? - commit state
- Q? - query state
- W? - wait state

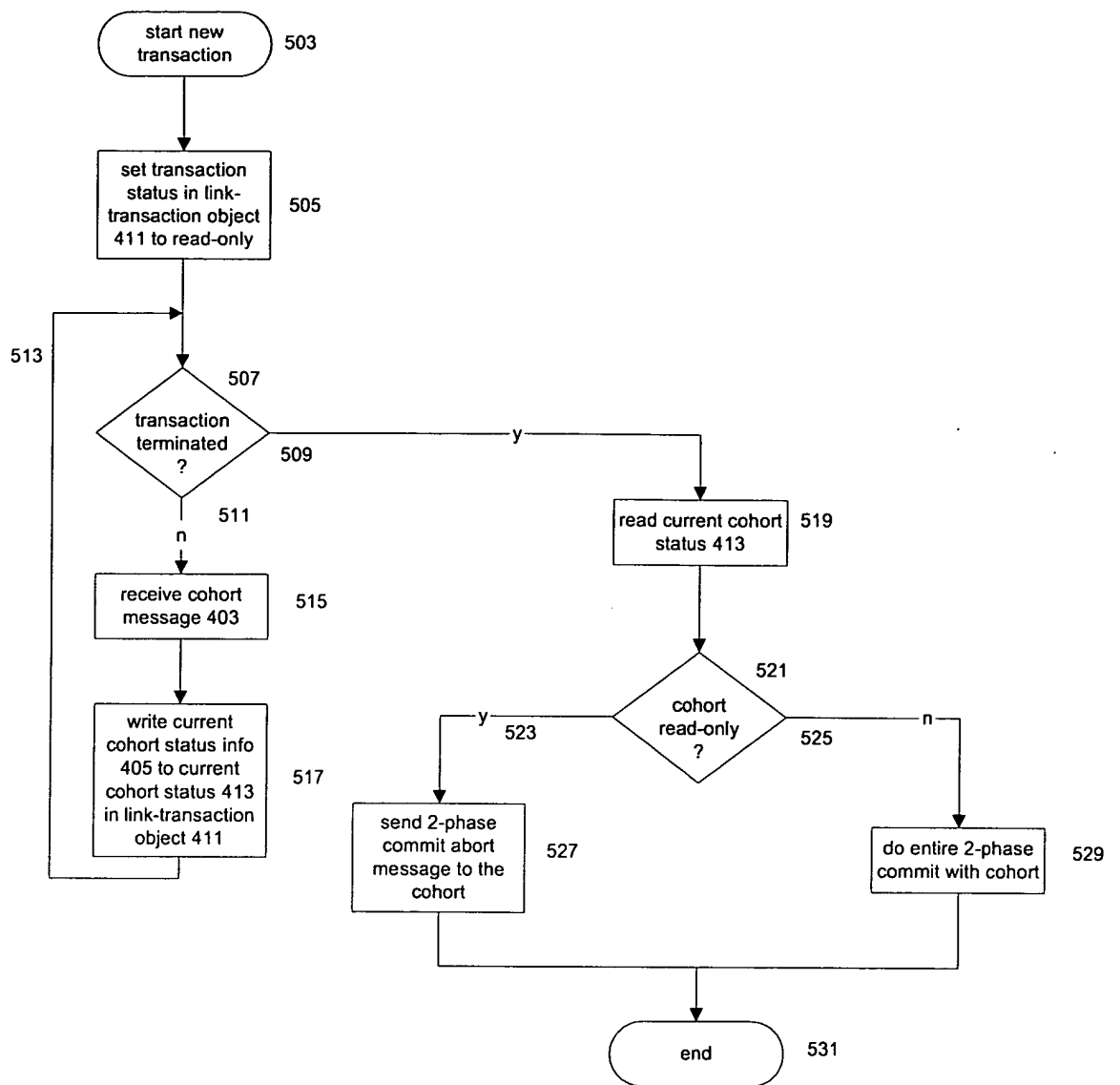
FIG. 3 Prior Art



outgoing link-transaction object 411(a)	current cohort status 413(a)	read-only status 415(a)
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outgoing link-transaction object 411(n)	413(n)	

outgoing link table 409

FIG. 4



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FIG. 5

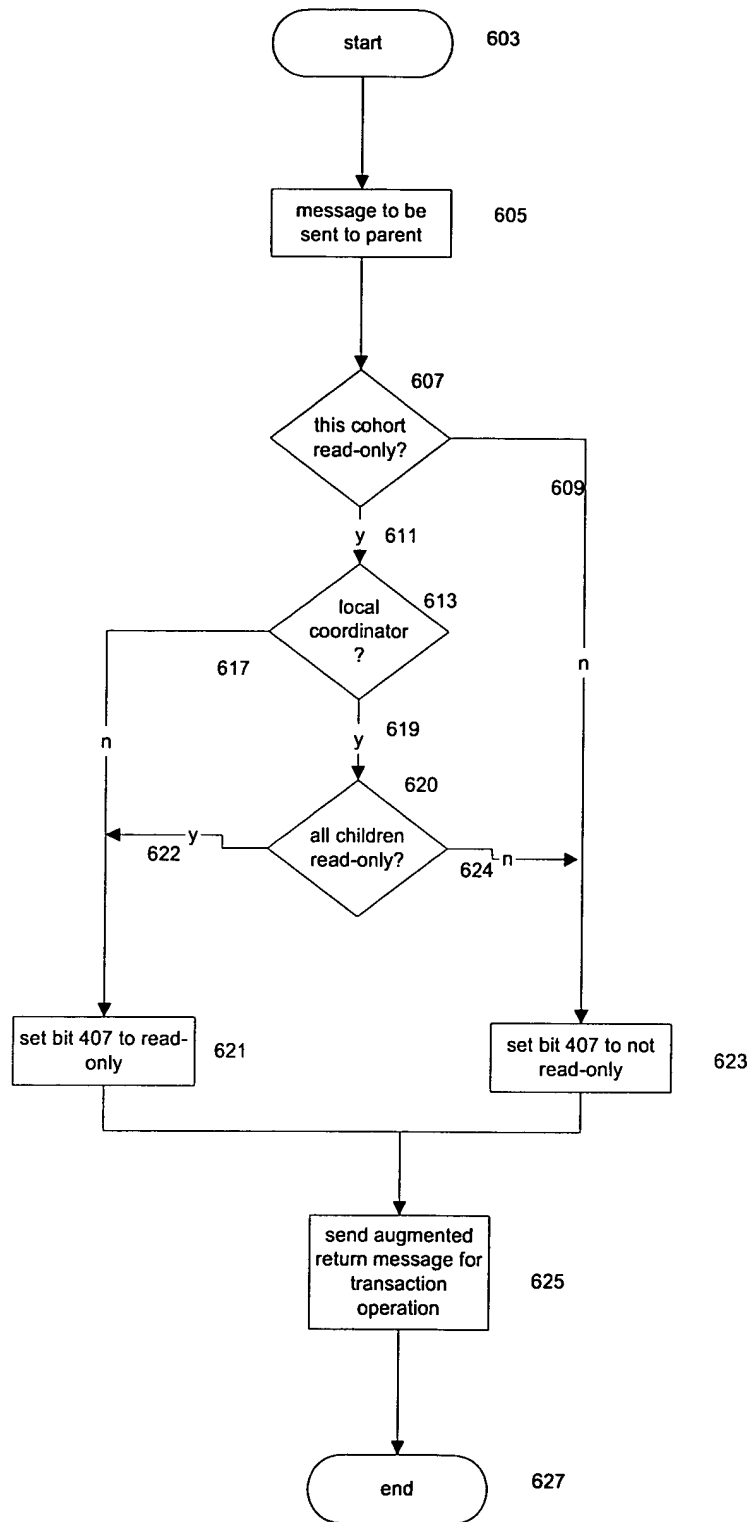


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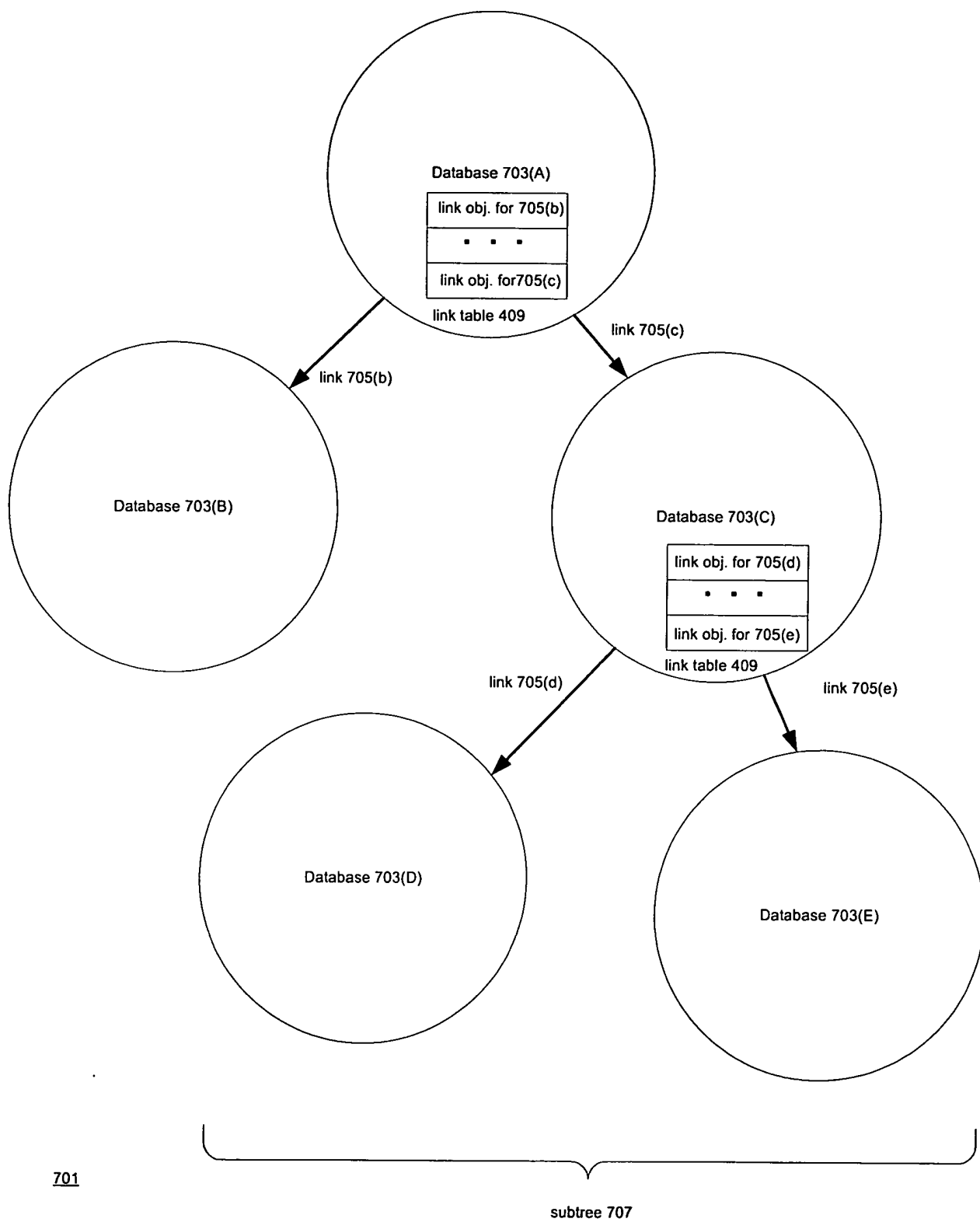


FIG. 7